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| Application Number               | 09/682,151                                |  |  |
| Filing Date                      | July 27, 2001                             |  |  |
| First Named Inventor             | Martin E. Kordesch                        |  |  |
| Art Unit                         | 2815                                      |  |  |
| Examiner Name                    | Jerome Jackson, Jr.                       |  |  |
| Attomey Docket Number            | r 90065.001020/8011.00                    |  |  |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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| 09/682,151  | July 27, 2001  | Jerome Jackson, Jr.   |                   | 2815           |  |  |  |
| Invention: CONTACT METHOD FOR THIN SIDEON CARBIDE EPITAXIAL LAYER AND SEMICONDUCTOR                                 |  |   |                   |                |  |  |  |
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Applicant Martin E. Kordesch, et al. Serial No. 09/682,151 Filed 27 July 2001 Examiner: Jerome Jackson, Jr. For CONTACT METHOD FOR THIN ) Art Unit: SILICON CARBIDE EPITAXIAL 2815 LAYER AND SEMICONDUCTOR) DEVICES FORMED BY THOSE ) **METHODS** 

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## Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 30 November 2004, Applicants request continued examination based on the following amendment to the claims.